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1. PLANNED CUBAN PURCHASE OF SOVIET HELICOPTERS

In an 18 May plain-text message, the Head of the Soviet Commercial Mission in Havana informed the Soviet All-Union Association for Motor Vehicle Export that a contract for helicopters was to be signed with Cuba in two days, and he requested that the planes be shipped urgently since a letter of credit was being opened. (On 3 April the Soviet Commercial Mission in Havana had requested information on passenger and freight helicopters, including agricultural versions.)